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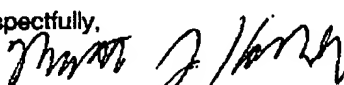
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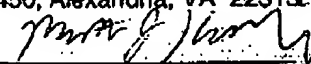
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 26, 2004 and received in regard to the above-captioned application, please enter the following amendments and remarks.